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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, Austin, April 26, 1870.

House met pursuant to the following proclamation:

[OFFICIAL.]

PROCLAMATION BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF TEXAS.

WHEREAS, It has come to my knowledge that the Congress of the United States has accepted the Constitution of Texas, and admitted said State to representation in that body; and,

WHEREAS, It is desired to restore, without delay, the local govern-

ment of said State to the civil authorities thereof;

Now, therefore, I, Edmund J. Davis, Governor of said State, do hereby request the Senate and House of Representatives of the same, to meet in session at the Capitol, in the city of Austin, on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of April, A. D. 1870, then and there to inaugurate the regular State Government, and to enter upon such general and special legislation as may be in compliance with the spirit and letter of the constitution recently adopted by the people of Texas, and, in the judgment of said Senate and House of Representatives, advisable for the peace and welfare of the people of Texas.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto signed my name, and caused the great seal of the State to be affixed at the city of Austin, this second day of April, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy, and the independence of Texas the thirty-fifth.

EDMUND J. DAVIS, Governor of Texas.

By the Governor: JAMES P. NEWCOMB,

Secretary of State.